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Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Terrance Larson, 53, of Lodi, Wisconsin, and Susan Lampert, 57, also of Lodi, were sentenced yesterday by U.S. District Judge John C. Shabaz.

Larson was sentenced to 80 months in prison, without parole, for manufacturing marijuana. He pleaded guilty to that charge on November 7, 2005. On June 27, 2005, law enforcement officers executed a search warrant at Larson's home and found approximately 200 marijuana plants. In sentencing Larson, Judge Shabaz noted that he was a long-term drug dealer and was responsible for selling and manufacturing between 100 and 400 kilograms of marijuana. Because Larson was using his home to grow and sell marijuana, it was seized by the government and will be sold.

Lampert also pleaded guilty on November 7, 2005, to manufacturing marijuana. She was sentenced to 26 months in prison, without parole, for helping Larson with his marijuana grow operation. Lampert's sentence was less than that of Larson in part because she had no criminal history and because she was not involved in selling marijuana.

The charges against Larson and Lampert were the result of an investigation

conducted by the Columbia County Sheriff's Department. Prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Altman.

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